

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action of August 10, 2005, has been carefully considered. It is noted that the Examiner requires election between the following species:

- A) Figs. 1 and 2;
- B) Figs. 3 and 4; and
- C) Figs. 7 and 8.

Furthermore, the Examiner requires election between the following additional species:

- 1) Fig. 5; and
- 2) Fig. 6.

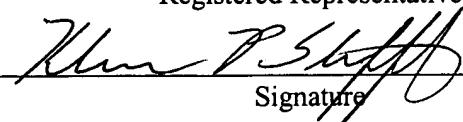
Applicant elects the species of Figs. 7 and 8, as well as the species of Fig. 6 for further prosecution should no generic claim finally be allowable.

At present, claims 1, 2, 4, 10 and 11 are generic for all of the species. Claims 1-4, 10, 11 and 19-22 read on the species of Figs. 7 and 8, and claims 1-6, 12 and 17 read on the species of Fig. 6.

Favorable on the present application is respectfully requested.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on September 7, 2005:

Klaus P. Stoffel
Name of applicant, assignee or
Registered Representative


Signature

Respectfully submitted,


Klaus P. Stoffel
Registration No.: 31,668
OSTROLENK, FABER, GERB & SOFFEN, LLP
1180 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10036-8403
Telephone: (212) 382-0700

September 7, 2005
Date of Signature
MM:KPS:ck